

# THE LACLEDE BLADE.

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## DOINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Local Paragraphs Picked up by Pungent Pencil Pusher.

R. J. Ormsby has gone to Kansas to look after the spring work on his farm.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Standly have moved to town and are occupying the Wiles property which they recently purchased.

Miss Irma Bonds completed a successful term of school in the Pleasant Grove district last week and on Monday returned to her home at Brunswick.

A. J. Caywood, wife and daughter were guests of Willis Brott and family in Brookfield and saw Walker Whiteside at the DeGraw Tuesday night.

Internal Revenue Collector Allen came up from St. Louis and spent the first of the week looking after business matters here returning to his post of duty Tuesday.

Laclede lost a good family this week in the removal of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wiles and little son to their new home at Hope, Kansas, near which place they have bought a farm.

Mrs. G. E. Bruns and daughter, Gussie Belle, have been in Hannibal this week attending the funeral of Mrs. Howie, a friend of the Bruns family who has visited here on several occasions.

Lewis Singleton, of Brookfield, and Miss Grace Edwards, of Laclede, were married in Brookfield last Monday evening, Justice Carlon performing the ceremony. They will reside in Brookfield.

D. D. Hallam, J. A. Cotter, A. J. Baum, G. E. Thomas, Ed. O. Barton and Wm. Robbins were at Brookfield Tuesday night and saw Walker Whiteside in "David Garrick's Love" at the DeGraw.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Edwards, of Ottumwa, were in the city a couple of days the first of the week visiting relatives. Elmer's health has been very poor for several months and they were on their way to the springs.

William H. Clough died at his home in Trenton last Monday. The remains were brought to Laclede Tuesday, the funeral taking place from the M. E. church, conducted by Rev. Robison. Burial in Laclede cemetery. The late Mr. Clough was born Feb. 26, 1870; was united in marriage March 29, 1892, to Miss Nettie Bunch who with one son, Paul, survives him. He was a member of Amana lodge I. O. O. F., of Laclede, Linn encampment and Canton Zoar, of Brookfield. He was a son of E. G. Clough, of St. Joseph, for a number of years residing on a farm near Laclede, where he is well known and highly respected. His death was a surprise and a sad shock to his relatives and friends here, as he was not known to be ill. The bereaved wife and other relatives have the sympathy of their many friends.

### A Theatrical Treat.

King-Perkins company will make its annual appearance at the DeGraw in Brookfield next Thursday night, March 15. No more pleasing theatrical announcement can be made, none more sure to attract theatre goers. In "A Homespun Heart," this season's production, the Kings are said to have made a remarkably successful selection. Frank King and "Chic" Perkins keep old friends and make new by yearly giving the cleanest and best drama that can be produced, in the best manner possible. Unusual liberality has been shown in the formation of this year's company; the scenery is beautiful and the entire production merits praise. Of course, everyone will be there.

## Letter From Mrs. Smith.

The following is a part of a letter written by Mrs. Anna Smith, of Elgin, Oregon, wife of Rev. D. S. Smith, a former pastor of the Laclede M. E. church to Miss Sarah Duckworth.

"We are all well. This is a very healthy country, and while we often long for our old friends we would not go back to Missouri to live. We have just held the sub-district convention here and you cannot understand what that means when the roads are so muddy. Where we live is the end of the railroad, but away east is a wonderful country across the mountains where a railroad is just now being built. Well, there are six M. E. preachers in that county, some 30 and 60 and 70 and 90 miles from here. Having a very early spring there has been considerable snow and the roads are something terrible and in some places very dangerous, but on Tuesday here they came, eight of them having driven two days to get here, and splendid men—good preachers they are—one of them a young man from Macou county, Missouri. Some things connected with their trip is laughable in spite of the pity of it. You cannot in the least degree realize the hills there are here, and such deep canyons where, if the horse one is driving should step over too far they would be thrown possibly 100 or 200 feet below. We had a splendid time at the convention. God is here and the Methodist church is doing a great work here in the west. But I want to tell you of one preacher, Rev. Kern, who was to preach the opening sermon. His wife and daughter came on ahead of him with another preacher and he was to drive a team in from Willow. Coming down one of the hills the reach of his buggy broke and of course they were both thrown out. This one, Rev. Kern, lit on his back, both his overshoes and his hat were gone, and he was mud all over. It was about dark when they arrived, and he must preach. We went to work brushing, scraping and cleaning, but the shoes were beyond redemption and he preached, (and a good sermon it was,) with Mr. Smith's slippers on. But the cause of Christ is advancing here. In my Sunday school class are 27 young people, and an average attendance of 20. There were 22 at League last night, young people alone, and I did not count the older ones, but I am so glad to be able to do something for the dear Master—it is such a privilege."

### Notice of City Election.

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the city of Laclede, Missouri, that there will be held in the several wards in the city of Laclede, an election, on Tuesday, the 3d day of April, 1906, for the purpose of electing a mayor, marshal and one alderman in the east ward and one alderman in the west ward; the election to be held in the east ward at the office of H. E. Maybee and in the west ward at the Grand Army hall. Judges of election in the east ward: H. H. Benjamin, John Power, Schuyler Baker and R. H. Humphrey. Judges of election in the west ward: James Willard, L. Brendahl, B. S. Rankin and L. M. Wilson.

March 6th, 1906.  
JAMES E. WELSH, Acting Mayor.  
O. F. LIBBY, City Clerk.

Mr. W. O. Anderson, a farmer residing south of Laclede, in looking after the covering of a well in his pasture that has not been in use for some time, found that a colony of snakes had taken possession of the shelter offered by the wall of the well and the covering. There were black snakes, garter snakes, a blue racer and one that resembled a rattlesnake, all of them in a lively shape and in condition to make a sharp race to escape, all of which makes a pretty fair February snake story.—Gazette.

## HERE AND THERE.

Local Items of the Week Gathered For the Busy Blade Reader's.

J. L. Mouser, one of our appreciated farmer friends on route 1, called last Saturday and renewed for another year.

The opera house should be filled next Wednesday night, the occasion being the fourth number in the season's lecture course.

I will open my class April 1st and solicit the patronage of those wishing instruction in piano, organ, harmony or theory. Grace Wilson.

C. E. Sutcliff, who bought a part of the Turney farm, has arrived from Illinois with a car and has stored his goods until his house is vacated in about two weeks.

Mrs. Fannie Wise, of Bartlesville, Ind. Ter., and A. R. Bissett, of Corvallis, Montana, each remembered THE BLADE with a renewal of subscription the past week.

There will be a box supper and a good literary program at the Oak Arbor school house next Thursday evening, March 15, 1906. Everybody is cordially invited and a good time for all.

Mrs. S. M. Brown will leave for the city, where she will study the styles for the coming season. Her friends are glad to know that she is going to make the millinery business a study again this spring, as she always has in stock something to please her customers.

Less than half enough ice has been harvested in Laclede to supply the local demand the coming season. However, J. H. Dick is preparing to take care of his trade by building an ice house at the rear of his butcher shop and will ship in whatever is needed.

T. M. Elliott this week bought the Ed. Smith property in the west part of town. Mr. Elliott will build an addition to the house and make other substantial improvements to the property. Residence property in Laclede is always a safe and profitable investment.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Clark returned Tuesday from spending several weeks with their daughter in Southern Florida. They report a pleasant trip, and brought some Florida fruit home with them, remembering THE BLADE with some fine oranges and a 24 ounce specimen of grape-fruit.

Business session of the fourth quarterly conference at the Methodist church Saturday afternoon at 2:30. Preaching by the presiding elder, Rev. W. F. Burris, Saturday night and Sunday morning. The Sunday morning services will begin at 10:45. All are cordially invited.

A pretty wedding occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Duckworth, east of town, last Wednesday evening when their daughter, Miss Sarah, was united in marriage to Fred Groes, Rev. Robison officiating. These young people are well and favorably known and have the best wishes of their many friends. Mr. and Mrs. Groes departed that night for their future home at Mt. Carmel, Illinois, where Mr. Groes has a position with the Clover Leaf railroad.

The fourth number in the public school lecture course will be given at the opera house next Wednesday evening, March 14, by the Old Plantation Quartet and Jubilee Singers. This is a quartet of genuine jubilee artists in an interesting, versatile and attractive program of old time jubilee songs, negro melodies, etc., with instrumental accompaniments. They faithfully portray the old time negro in his native eloquent, and render a high class program that is pleasing large audiences every night.

## Some Evening Reveries.

The eighteenth century will stand in history as the age in which the doctrine of the rights of man developed commanding strength and popular sway. The French Revolution in Europe and the American Revolution in this country spread democratic ideas broadcast. The nineteenth century did very much to confirm and establish these principles, but it did much more to secure the rights of woman. At the close of the preceding century, housekeeping and serving were about the only occupations open to women. Today there is hardly any occupation which she is not free to enter. It is quite generally acknowledged that she has the right to do anything that she can do well, and that, too, without any surrender of her womanhood. Whatever other great things the twentieth century shall achieve, we feel quite sure that it will be characterized by a more intelligent appreciation of the rights of children, and better agencies and methods for their training and development. It will be the reminiscence of childhood.

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Life seems full of new possibilities in the opening of a new year. The question for each girl to decide is how to meet the opportunities which are offered to her, and how to make the most of them. There is knowledge to be gained, because it is a pearl beyond price to the possessor; there are talents to be developed, because it is a duty to cultivate one's gifts; there is work to be done, because work means usefulness and contentment. There are always virtues to be striven for, because they help to make strong, noble characters. The great thing is to aim at a true and noble womanhood. To be honest, to be truthful and to do what is right and to keep a clear conscience would seem very simple rules for conduct in life, yet it these are followed, happiness will come, for that depends more on one's self than on circumstances or surroundings.

Life may be full of beauty and usefulness if one is unselfish. Ordinary, every-day life affords so many opportunities for doing some good service. A gentle word spoken to one who is angry; an encouraging or a sympathetic word to a despondent or sad friend; an earnest word of warning to any one who may be in danger of folly—all these little things are very helpful. A cheerful manner has a stimulating effect on others; a sunny disposition brightens the home. Everyone has at times known the bracing, stimulating feeling that comes when looking into a face which reflects a noble, pure soul or a brave, strong one. It may be the face of a stranger, but the unconscious influence of that fine character is not lost on the passer-by. It is a character which counts in life—noble motives and high thoughts which are worth having. With these possessions and that sweet maidenly reserve, modesty and delicacy which go with refinement, a girl will not only be more charming, but will have an influence over all her associates.

### Doctors Are Puzzled.

The remarkable recovery of Kenneth McIver, of Vanceboro, Me., is the subject of much interest to the medical fraternity and a wide circle of friends. He says of his case: "Owing to severe inflammation of the throat and congestion of the lungs, three doctors gave me up to die, when, as a last resort, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery and I am happy to say it saved my life." Cures the worst coughs and colds, bronchitis, tonsillitis, weak lungs, hoarseness and la grippe. Guaranteed at W. R. Barton's drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

## COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Business Transacted at Its Regular Meeting Held This Week.

Bridge commissioner ordered to advertise for repairing bridge across Hamilton branch, 16-21, 59, 18.

Ordered that Linn county pay half expense of bridge on line between Linn and Chariton counties, 33-57-18.

H. S. Johnson appointed agent of Linn county to release deeds of trust and commissioner to make deeds.

Settlement of following township collectors received and approved: T. J. Davis, Baker, 96.7 per cent.; Ed. Herriman, Bucklin, 92.3; N. Ogan, Clay, 97; J. J. Knifong, Enterprise, 100; C. A. Chenoweth, Grantsville, 99.9; L. E. Hamilton, 98.75; E. E. Thudium, North Salem, 98.3; C. A. Black, Yellow Creek, 99.5; O. H. Woods, Marceline, 93.6; J. F. Wilkerson, Locust Creek, 67.2; J. A. Carter, Parson Creek, 99.4; C. E. Gooch, Benton, 99.8; E. W. Crookshanks, Jackson, 97.8.

### ALLOWANCES.

A. W. Mullins, criminal costs	\$ 21 45
W. A. Davis, care E. McCord	15 00
H. Jenkins, janitor	7 50
City of Linn, electric lights	2 10
H. T. Sims, wood	75
H. Markham, rent court room, 1905	275 00
The Argus, stationery	44 00
D. J. Buckley, probate court service	18 00
Fell & Co., merchandise	13 85
S. L. Bradley, merchandise	2 35
Travers Furniture Co., merchandise	2 50
Gast Litho Co., stationery	28 54
Gadogan & Hatcher, stationery	16 50
D. J. Buckley, boarding prisoners	56 00
J. M. Black, term bill	35 25
Huffman Bros., coal	49 00
J. Bradley, work	75
W. H. Jenkins, work	45 75
D. J. Buckley, term bill	80 20
J. McCartney, care paupers	8 00
Rowell Fuel Co., coal	4 50
Grace Morris, stenographer	30 00
T. L. McMichael, bridge commissioner	50 50
D. J. Buckley, killing glandered horses	11 10
J. B. Fleming, criminal costs	32 44
W. T. Kimber, work	2 85
The News, publications	14 50
Poll Morris, washing	5 75
J. O. Phillips & Son, merchandise	6 95
The Bulletin, stationery	7 50
B. B. Edwards, county clerk	345 55
Bradley Bros., work	3 25
J. Todd, care insane, Asylum No. 2	2002 95
W. T. Kimber, board inmates infirmary	200 85
Travers Furniture Co., pauper coffin	11 09

### From Over the County.

A contribution of \$9.50 was forwarded from Marceline last week to the relief of starving Japanese.

The total number of cars of freight shipped in and out of Browning last year was 761. A pretty good record for a town of that size.

The board of directors of the Meadville chautauqua assembly is advertising for bids for refreshment and feed stable privileges on the chautauqua grounds this fall.

Mrs. B. B. Edwards, widow of the late County Clerk Edwards, has been appointed deputy clerk by H. S. Johnson, and will enter upon her duties in that capacity today. The appointment is a good one and will meet the general approbation of the people.—Bulletin.

J. A. Crowder has been appointed cashier in the office of Internal Revenue Collector Allen at St. Louis. Mr. Allen could not have rewarded a better friend or appointed a man in whom he could have greater confidence than Mr. Crowder. Eugene Brott, of Brookfield, has also been given a place by Mr. Allen, he being assistant chief clerk in the office.

### Torture by Savages.

"Speaking of the torture to which some of the savage tribes in the Philippines subject their captives, reminds me of the intense suffering I endured for three months from inflammation of the kidneys," says W. M. Sherman, of Cushing, Me. "Nothing helped me until I tried Electric Bitters, three bottles of which completely cured me." Cures liver complaint, dyspepsia, blood disorders and malaria; and restores the weak and nervous to robust health. Guaranteed by W. R. Barton, druggist. Price 50c.